

REMARKS

The Office Action dated August 4, 2004, has been received and carefully noted. The amendments made herein and the following remarks are submitted as a full and complete response thereto.

By this Amendment, claims 1-12 have been canceled and new claims 13 and 14 have been added. Applicant submits that new claims 13 and 14 are fully supported in the specification and the drawings as originally filed, and therefore no new matter has been added. Accordingly, claims 13 and 14 are pending in the present application and are respectfully submitted for consideration.

Rejection of Claims 1-12 Now Moot

Claims 1-12 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Yamamoto (JP 04-369189, "Yamamoto") in view of Applicant's Admitted Prior Art ("AAPA") and Moon (U.S. Patent No. 6,501,510). Claims 1-12 have been canceled without prejudice thereby rendering the rejection of these claims moot.

New Claims 13 and 14 Recite Patentable Subject Matter

Applicant respectfully submits that claims 13 and 14 recite patentable subject matter, and therefore are allowable.

Claim 13 recites a television receiver comprising, among other features, a second judging means for judging whether the received analog television broadcasting program is the same program as the currently received digital television broadcasting program based on a degree of correlation of video signals between the digital and analog television broadcasting programs, channel searching means for switching, when the second judging means determines that the received analog television broadcasting

program is not the same program as the currently received digital television broadcasting program, the channel on which the analog television broadcasting program is being broadcast, and then searching a channel on which an analog counterpart of the currently received digital television broadcasting program is being broadcast by judging whether a received analog television broadcasting program is the same program as the currently received digital television broadcasting program on the basis of a degree of correlation of video signals between the received analog television broadcasting program and the currently received digital television broadcasting program, and means for causing, when a channel on which an analog counterpart of the currently received digital television broadcasting program is being broadcast is located by the channel searching means, the receiving section for analog television broadcasting to continue receiving the analog counterpart, while updating the channel map information to indicate the channel identified by the channel searching means as the corresponding analog channel on which the same program as the currently received digital television broadcasting program is being broadcast.

Claim 14 recites a television receiver comprising, among other features, a second judging means for judging whether the received analog television broadcasting program is the same program as the currently received digital television broadcasting program based on a degree of correlation of audio signals between the digital and analog television broadcasting programs, a channel searching means for switching, when the second judging means determines that the received analog television broadcasting program is not the same program as the currently received digital television broadcasting program, the channel on which the analog television

broadcasting program is being broadcast, and then searching a channel on which an analog counterpart of the currently received digital television broadcasting program is being broadcast by judging whether a received analog television broadcasting program is the same program as the currently received digital television broadcasting program on the basis of a degree of correlation of audio signals between the received analog television broadcasting program and the currently received digital television broadcasting program, and means for causing, when a channel on which an analog counterpart of the currently received digital television broadcasting program is being broadcast is located by the channel searching means, the receiving section for analog television broadcasting to continue receiving the analog counterpart, while updating the channel map information to indicate the channel identified by the channel searching means as the corresponding analog channel on which the same program as the currently received digital television broadcasting program is being broadcast.

It is respectfully submitted that the prior art fails to disclose or suggest at least the above-mentioned features of the Applicant's invention.

Conclusion

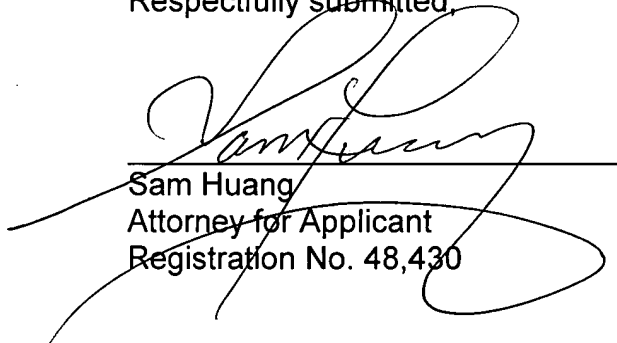
In view of the above, Applicant respectfully submits that each of claims 13 and 14 recites subject matter that is neither disclosed nor suggested in the prior art. Applicant also submits that this subject matter is more than sufficient to render the claims non-obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art, and therefore, respectfully requests that claims 13 and 14 be found allowable and that this application be passed to issue.

If for any reason, the Examiner determines that the application is not now in condition for allowance, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner contact the

Applicant's undersigned attorney at the indicated telephone number to arrange for an interview to expedite the disposition of this application.

In the event this paper has not been timely filed, the Applicant respectfully petitions for an appropriate extension of time. Any fees for such an extension, together with any additional fees that may be due with respect to this paper, may be charged to counsel's Deposit Account No. 01-2300, **referencing docket number 107314-00013**.

Respectfully submitted,



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